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JRY IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated under Jawahar Rojgar Yojana to Bihar during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) the details of the execution of programmes in the State during the said period; and

(c) whether the financial performance of the State under this Yojana has not been satisfactory during the said period;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) the steps taken by the Government for proper implementation of the scheme in the State; and

(f) the details of target fixed under the scheme for 2000-2001 in the State?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA)

(a) & (b): The erstwhile Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) has been restructured and renamed as Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana (JGSY) w.e.f 1st April 1999. The main objective of the restructured programme is to create need based rural infrastructure at the village level. The programme is implemented by the village panchayats. The amount allocated, total funds available, funds utilized and percentage utilization of funds under JRY/JGSY in Bihar during the last three years and the current year is as follows:

(Rs. In Crore)

Year	Central Allocation Funds (OB+C+S)	Total Available	Utilization	Percentage
1997-98	304.59	441.77	362.51	82.06
1998-99	383.41	515.89	418.51	81.12
1999-2000	305.30	496.44	353.24	71.15
2000-01	285.90	309.00	40.76	13.19

(Upto May 2000)

Note:- OB Opening Balance, C central Release, S State Share

(c) & (d): The utilisation of funds ranging between 70 to 80 percent is considered to be satisfactory. The above table shows that the State of Bihar has achieved that level during the last three years.

(e): Government have taken the following steps for proper implementation of the Programme:

i. Constitution of Vigilance and Monitoring Committee at the Block, District and State level.
ii. Utilization Certificate and Audit Report is essential for release of second instalment of Central share of funds.
iii. Non-embezzlement/Non-diversion Certificate from the district authority before release of second instalment of Central share of funds.
iv. Field visits by the officials of the Ministry under Area Officers Scheme.
v. Physical verification of the assets created on the spot by the District and State officials.

In the States including Bihar where duly elected Village Panchayats are not in position, the concerned Panchayat Samities are responsible for implementing the JGSY. The works to be taken up are decided at the Village level by the Gram Sabha of the concerned panchayats.

(f): As the main objective of the Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana (JGSY) is to create demand driven rural infrastructure as per the felt need of the area, the fixation of the physical targets in terms of mandays have been dispensed with.